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## IN THE CLAIMS:

This listing replaces all previous listing of claims:

Claims 1-13 (Canceled)

Claim 14. (Currently Amended) The \* filter body according to claim ~~12~~ 22, ~~wherein characterized in that~~ said the seal (9) is formed on said the annular collar ~~(6)~~.

Claim 15. (Currently Amended) The \* filter body according to claim 14, ~~wherein characterized in that the~~ said seal ~~(9)~~ and the said annular collar ~~(6)~~ work together ~~in such a way so that~~ an increasing axial deformation of the said annular collar ~~(6)~~ causes an increasing radial adjustment of the said seal ~~(9)~~ in the direction of its radial sealing effect.

Claim 16. (Canceled)

Claim 17. (Currently Amended) \* The filter body according to claim 22 ~~12~~, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the said annular collar ~~(6)~~ has a corrugated or zigzag-shaped profile in a central

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longitudinal section.

Claim 18. (Canceled)

Claim 19. (Currently Amended) ~~A~~ The filter body assembly according to claim 12, 22 characterized in that wherein the said sealing face (10) is formed by a cylindrical outer jacket of a connection (22) which extends coaxially with the filter body (1) inside the filter housing, and wherein said the end disk (3) has a central opening (4) on whose having an inside edge (5) wherein said the annular collar (6) is disposed on said inside edge of said central opening is provided.

Claim 20. (Currently Amended) ~~A~~ The filter body according to claim 18 22, characterized in that wherein said the two axial ends of the filter element (2) has two axial ends that are each equipped with one of these said end disks (3) so that the filter body (1) inserted into the filter housing, is centered axially in the filter housing.

Claim 21. (Canceled)

Claim 22. (New) A filter body of an air filter for

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coupling to a connection element having a supporting contour,  
the filter body comprising:

a) a cylindrical filter element made of filter material;

b) at least one end unit comprising:

i) an end disk mounted on at least one axial end of  
said filter element;

ii) an axially extending collar coupled to said end  
disk extending in a ring shape, on an axial outside end of said  
end disk with respect to said filter element wherein said axially  
extending collar has axial elasticity and includes the following  
components:

a) a seal extending radially inward from said  
axially extending collar forming a ring shaped sealing lip;

b) at least one first axial section having a  
substantially constant thickness coupled to said seal;

c) at least one second axial section coupled

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to said seal wherein said second axial section has a decreasing thickness extending axially away from said end disk and wherein the filter body is adapted to receive the connection element so that the supporting contour extends parallel to said end disk and is inserted into the filter housing so that the filter body is positioned axially in said filter housing, and wherein said first axial section is formed as an axially elastic section and is supported axially on said supporting contour, and wherein said annular collar and said end disk are made in one piece from an injection molded plastic; and

(d) an inner frame disposed within said filter element for supporting said filter element radially, and supporting said end disks axially.

Claim 23 (new) A filter body of an air filter for coupling to a connection element having a supporting contour the filter body comprising:

a) a cylindrical filter element made of filter material;

b) an end unit formed from TEEE comprising:

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i) an end disk mounted on at least one axial end of said filter element;

ii) an axially extending collar coupled to said end disk extending in a ring shape, on an axial outside end of said end disk with respect to said filter element wherein said axially extending collar has axial elasticity and includes a seal extending radially inward from said axially extending collar forming a ring shaped sealing lip;

c) an inner frame which supports said filter element radially and supports said end disks axially.

Claim 24. (Now) A filter body of an air filter for coupling to a connection element having a supporting contour, the filter body comprising:

a) a cylindrical filter element made of filter material;

b) an inner frame disposed within said filter element for supporting said filter element radially; and

c) at least one end unit coupled to at least one end of said

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filter material and said inner frame comprising:

i) an end disk mounted on at least one axial end of said filter element; and

ii) a ring shaped axially extending collar coupled to said end disk, wherein said axially extending collar has an axially elastic section which includes a tapered section that decreases in thickness as it extends axially away from said end plate, a coupling section coupled to said tapered section forming a seal when it engages the connection element and at least one constant section coupled to said coupling section and having a substantially constant thickness, wherein said tapered section extends radially inward towards said coupling section while said constant section extends radially out from said coupling section.

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